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SUBJECT:OIL CARGO PREFERENCE: MEETING WITH U.S. SHIP-BUILDERS AND SUPPLIERS

1. SECRETARY VANCE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LETTER, DATED APRIL 28, FROM THOMAS H, BOGGS, JR., OF PATTON, BOGGS AND BLOW:

QUOTE: DEAR MR. SECRETARY:

WE REPRESENT A GROUP OF LEADING U.S. SHIPBUILDERS AND SUPPLIERS TO SHIPBUILDERS WHO ARE SEEKING THE ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD LEAD TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF UNSUBSIDIZED TANKERS TO TRANSPORT PETROLEUM AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO THE UNITED STATES AND AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES FROM THE UNITED STATES. THE GROUP INCLUDES OGDEN CORPORATION, TENNECO, BETHLEHEM STEEL, WESTINGHOUSE, UNCLASSIFIED

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GENERAL ELECTRIC, AND NATIONAL STEEL AND SHIPBUILDING COMPANY. WE ALSO REPRESENT THE AMERICAN MARITIME ASSOCIATION WHOSE MEMBERS INCLUDE VIRTUALLY ALL THE INDEPENDENTLY OWNED U.S.-FLAG OPERATORS.

MR. LEE RICE, PRESIDENT, OGDEN TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION; MR. FREDERICK WEST, VICE CHAIRMAN, BETHLEHEM STEEL;

MR. JACK DIESEL, PRESIDENT, TENNECO COPORATION; AND MR. RAN HETTENA, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, OVERSEAS SHIPHOLDING GROUP (THE LARGEST OPERATOR OF U.S. FLAG TANKERS) WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOU AND UNDER SECRETARY COOPER TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC MARITIME PROPOSALS WHICH WE ARE INFORMED THE CABINET WILL REVIEW IN THE NEAR FUTURE. DISCUSSIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN HELD WITH VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE, STU EIZENSTAT AND HIS STAFF, BERT LANCE, AND OFFICIALS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

I WILL CALL JULES KATZ EARLY NEXT WEEK TO SEE IF SUCH A MEETING CAN BE ARRANGED. SINCERELY YOURS, THOMAS H. BOGGS, JR. UNQUOTE.

- 2. KATZ RECOMMENDS THAT COOPER MEET WITH BOGGS AND HIS CLIENTS. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH COOPER'S STAFF AND HAVE DETERMINED THAT WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 AT 3:00 P.M. IN COOPER'S OFFICE APPEAR TO BE SATISFACTORY TIME AND PLACE FOR SUCH A MEETING.
- 3. REQUEST AUTHORITY TO CONFIRM BOGGS MEETING ON MAY 18 AT 3:00 P.M. CHRISTOPHER

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